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Dear Harold,

Sorry to hear about your operation + lengthy stay in the hospital. When I hadn't heard from you for some time I was worried something was wrong. I imagine not being able to get around too well is driving you nuts.

I never did get an opportunity to drive down to D.C. last month as I had hoped to. Things just got too busy around here. My internship should have ended around the beginning of September, but the township kept finding things for me to do + so, as of now, I'm still working part time for them. I don't mind the money coming in, but it has dragged out the writing of my internship report much longer than planned + has kept me rather busy trying to do that + keep up with classes too. To top it all off, our Teachers association rejected a Factfinders Report and went out on strike a few weeks ago. I've been tied up quite a bit in meetings with the mediator + spend a good deal of time answering phone calls from unhappy teachers + angry parents. It's been one heck of a learning experience, I just wish it could have waited until I was through with school.

The latest on Wecht - He was ordered held for trial on 4 of 6 counts, but the trial is being delayed pending a decision by the State Supreme Court as to whether an out-of-county judge should hear the case. Wecht is contending he's the victim of a political conspiracy + that all of the judges in the county would be biased. He's petitioned for the appointment of a judge from a "neutral" county.

Some good news of a personal nature — With

my schedule the last few months. I had been able to spend very little time with Alex. That was really getting me down because he was scheduled to leave for Florida in January & so there wasn't much time left as it was. Well, as it turns out, Alex has changed his mind. He won't be going to Florida for his LL.M until Next September. He wants to stay here so he can take the CPA. exam this spring & have that out of the way before he goes. Needless to say, I'm quite happy about it. We've been talking a good deal lately about getting married &, although I doubt either of us will be ready to take that step until we get our [redacted] careers started — another 2-3 years — things are definitely looking alot brighter.

Also, after having some long talks with myself, I decided that it was time I did something about my weight problem. I had been thinking about going to a weight loss clinic for some time but, until recently, I hadn't found one that was safe & reliable. I went in somewhat skeptical, but it has turned out to be terrific. Since October 3, I've lost 20 pounds & I'm feeling great. If I keep at it, I should be down to pretty much my ideal weight by about the middle of January. Next time you see me, you may not recognize me.

Mary sends her best. Take care of yourself & say hello to Lil for me.

Karen